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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy to the DCI for National Intelligence

FROM:

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SUBJECT: Academic Liaison, etc.

1. Action Required: Approval in principle of the proposal in paragraph three. Paragraph two contains comments for your information.

2. Comments:

a. I have reviewed your exchanges with [REDACTED] with interest. I have the feeling that he may be exaggerating the sensitivity of the academic community to any overt association with the CIA, though probably not by very much. I cannot be sure until I have made my own soundings -- especially at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, here in Washington 1-4 September.

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b. I certainly agree it would not serve your purpose to promote academic contacts [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] On the other hand, Vince's suggestion that State and Defense be included in conferences, seminars, etc. that CIA sponsors seems a good one when the subject makes it appropriate.

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c. I am being circulated through the DDI offices by [REDACTED] meeting and talking to the chiefs and deputies on their academic connections. Indications are, so far, that these are far more extensive than I knew as an outsider. I am encouraging all the officers I meet with to think of subjects on which further exchanges with academia would be useful -- including items that might qualify for your dinner meetings -- and offering to be helpful if I can.

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d. I have also consulted with Cord Meyer on the Harvard "Guidelines" and your correspondence with [] and I have sat in on one meeting of the interdirectorate task force which is drafting new regulations on Relations with the Academic Community. In both contexts the DDO problem is the only difficulty, but it is a killer. So far I have come up with nothing that I can recommend. As I learn about the IC and the operations problems I hope to do better.

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e. On scholars in residence, I have noted your correspondence with [] I have been unable to talk to [] who is on vacation. I shall see him when he returns. I am told he has a publications problem, which I shall explore and try to solve.

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f. On the same, Bob Bowie has communicated to me his reservations ~~re scholars in residence~~ who merely enjoy "paid sabbaticals" here. My tentative suggestion is that, for the future, we think in terms of two categories:

- I. Prestige types -- senior scholars we wish to favor mainly for the academic image impact and the inspiration their presence may give our staff.

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[] is a hypothetical example.

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- II. Staff-supplement types -- younger scholars, preferably on leaves of absence from their institutions, who would work for a year or two on problems of concern to the directorates within their fields of professional interest and competence. If carefully worked out and based upon a clear mutual understanding at the start, such arrangements should prove attractive both to the directorates and to the scholars

3. Finally, a thought for the future. The APSA (political science association) is one of the most sensitive academic arenas for the CIA, mainly because of its subject but also its size and the variety of its membership, including a substantial number of young rebels of the anti-war, anti-government variety. At most annual meetings the association has evening sessions addressed by public figures, including government officials who are of especial interest because of their current responsibilities or an individuals. It is much too late to arrange such an appearance for you at the forthcoming APSA meeting. But, with your blessing, I could begin now exploring the possibility of scheduling an appearance for you

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500 at the 1978 annual meeting, which will be held in New York City. If the association should prove receptive to the proposal, a year from now could be a good time for you to address an academic audience, which could vary from 500 (or less) to perhaps 1500-2000, depending on current interest in you and in the Intelligence Community.

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DCI COMMENTS:

Approve exploration 1978 a

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you here, Jim -
Sorry can't to
have had a chat
yet - soonest
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